

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK

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In re:

Chantal Cayeula et al.

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For:

August 1, 2001 SELECTION AND USES OF LACTIC ACID

BACTERIA STRAINS MODULATING

NON-SPECIFIC IMMUNITY

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of January 24, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: